

Gregg M. Millar

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Your tel 530 637 4325

My tel 314 727 0850

Dear Mr. Millar:

~~The~~ It was pleasant talking to you about coin scales. Any California types you wish to sell or trade would be welcome in ^{our} ~~my~~ collection. We collect different colors and different sizes.

We ~~are~~ have virtually finished a book ~~on~~ on American coin scales and need more information on California coin scales of the ten box type. Would you be nice enough to send the following for each of your ^{California} scales:

Shape (oval or rectangular)

Color of outside

~~Width and~~ Dimensions of box (both directions)

Words on top of box and position of words.

~~I~~^I will be very grateful for your Cooperation. Welcome to the Scale Society.
~~which will be~~ ~~for~~ Sincerely,

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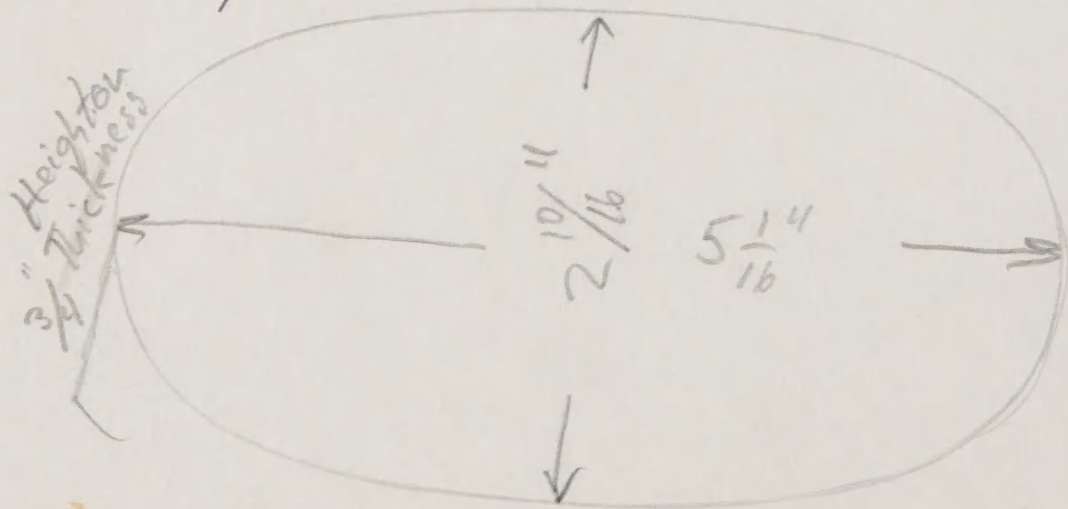
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Hi,
Mr. Newman

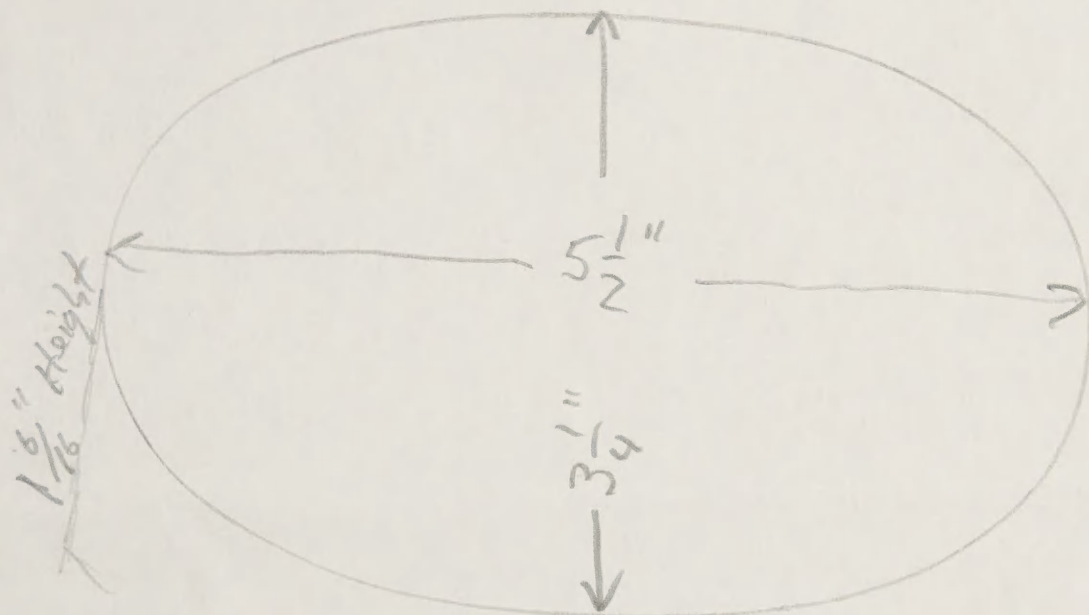
Thanks for your letter of inquiry on my collection of "Gold Rush" era scales. Let me describe what I have as follows:

#1 Oval Black w/ Gold Eagle + Gold Wreathing Edge
Very Poor ^(Paint) 40% Condition, No Denting, Red Orange Inside, 90%
w/ Weight Area Bottom Left Corner (w/ Lid) Brass
Hand Held Scale w/ Strings to Pan. D.W Jones
Etched by Hand on Inside Top → 1845 Gold Scales



40% Paint
Top

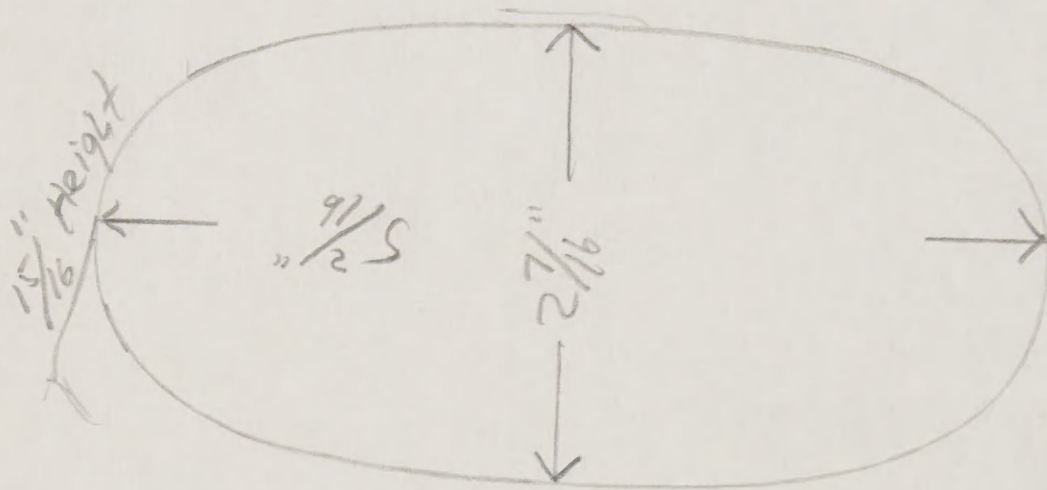
#2 Oval Red w/^{Olive} Greenish Dnabe Eagle + Wreathing
Edge = Good Cond. 90% Paint, No Denting, Red inside
w/Weight Area Bottom Left Corner (No Lid Open) ~~Brass Steel~~
Hand Held Scale w/Strings to Pair Brass



90% Paint
Top etc

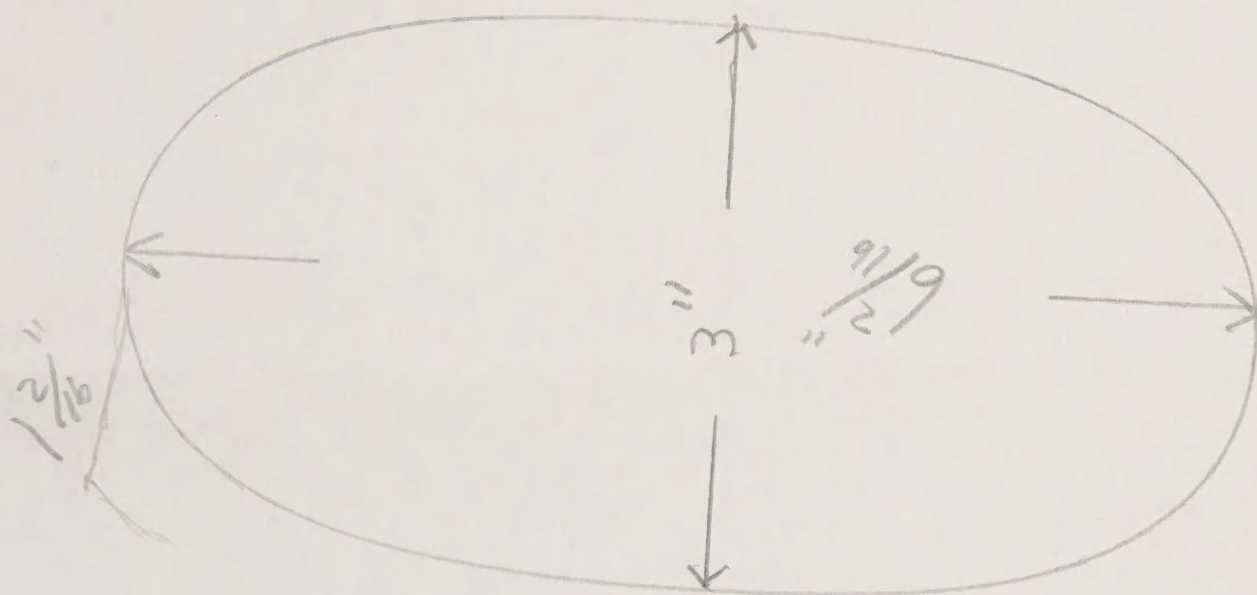
#3

Oval Green w/Gold Eagle + Wreathing Edge
Fair Cond. 85% Paint, Minor Denting, Hinge
Separated but there. Orange inside, w/Wt Area.
Bottom Left + Corner. No Lid, Brass Horn Held Scale.
w/Strings to Brass Pans.



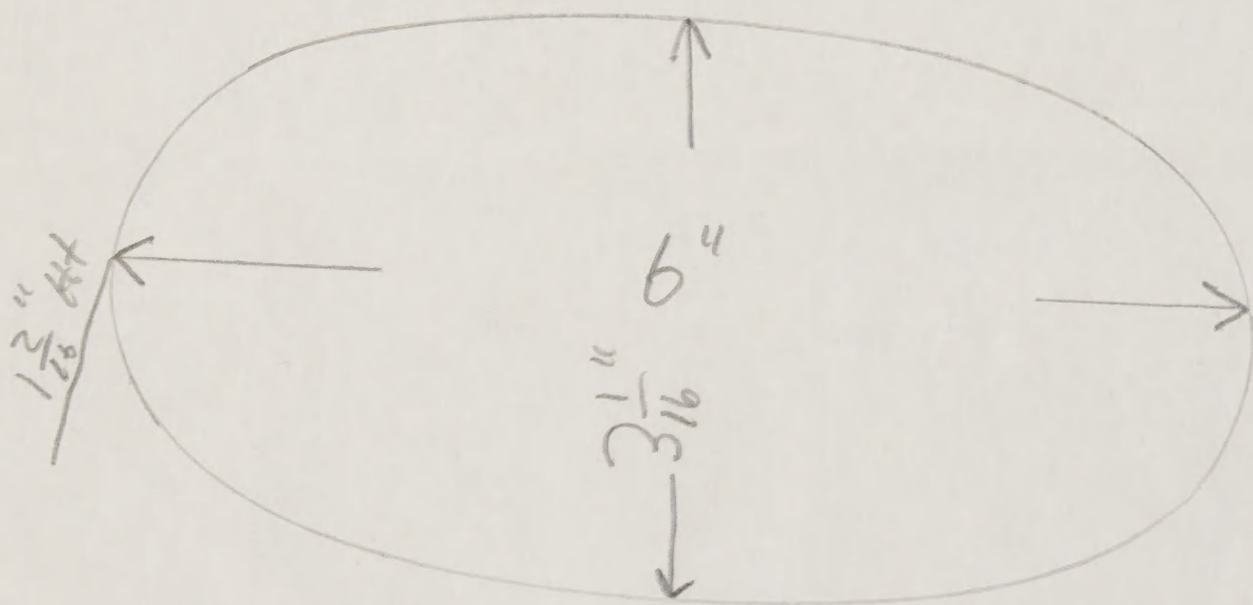
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Oval Green w/Blackish Gray Eagle. Lined Edge.
Fair Cond. 80% Paint Minor Denting. Green
inside Wt Area lower left No Lid, Brass Scal.
w/Chain to Pans Brass.

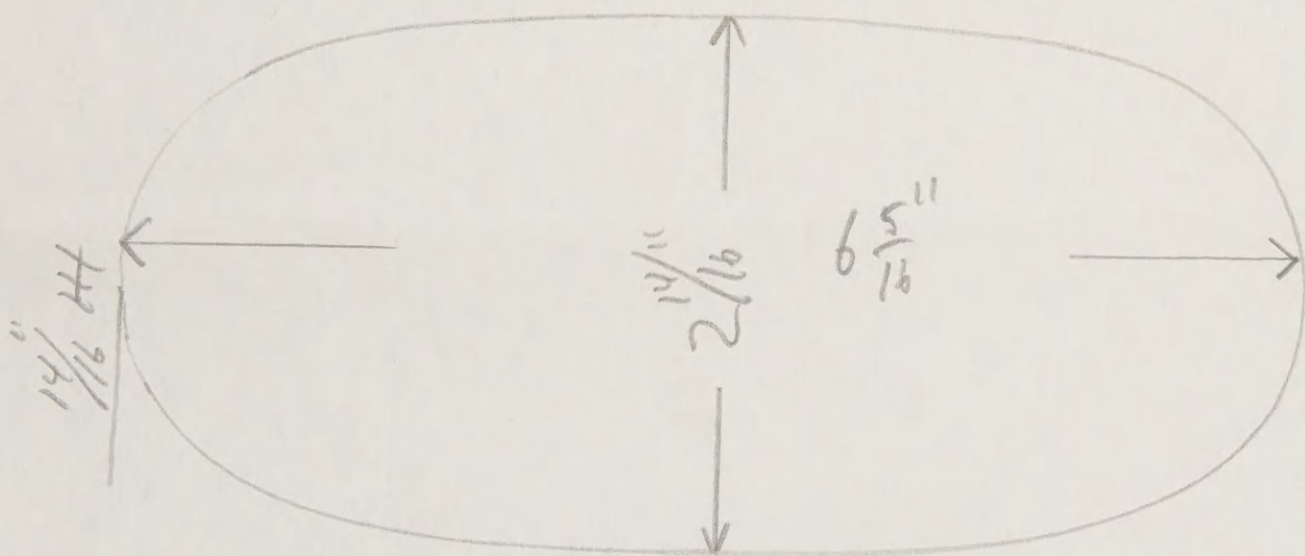


#5

Oval Dk Green (Army) w/ Goldish Eagle and Lined
edge also: Miners Improved Gold Scale (Top)
Manufactured Expressely for California (Bottom)
70% Paint - Most of Eagle Gone! Fair Condition
Otherwise, No Denting (except where eagle was)
Green inside, Brass Pan + Chain on Scale.
No Lid on Weight Area.



#6 Oval Dark Green w/Black Eagle and Lined
Edge plus: Miners Improved Gold Scale (Top)
Manufactured Expressely For California
85% Paint But Very Faded and Scratched. (Bottom)
Can Barely read lettering and see eagle - No Denting
Red Brown inside, Wt are gone, Brass Scale.
w/Chain to Pans.



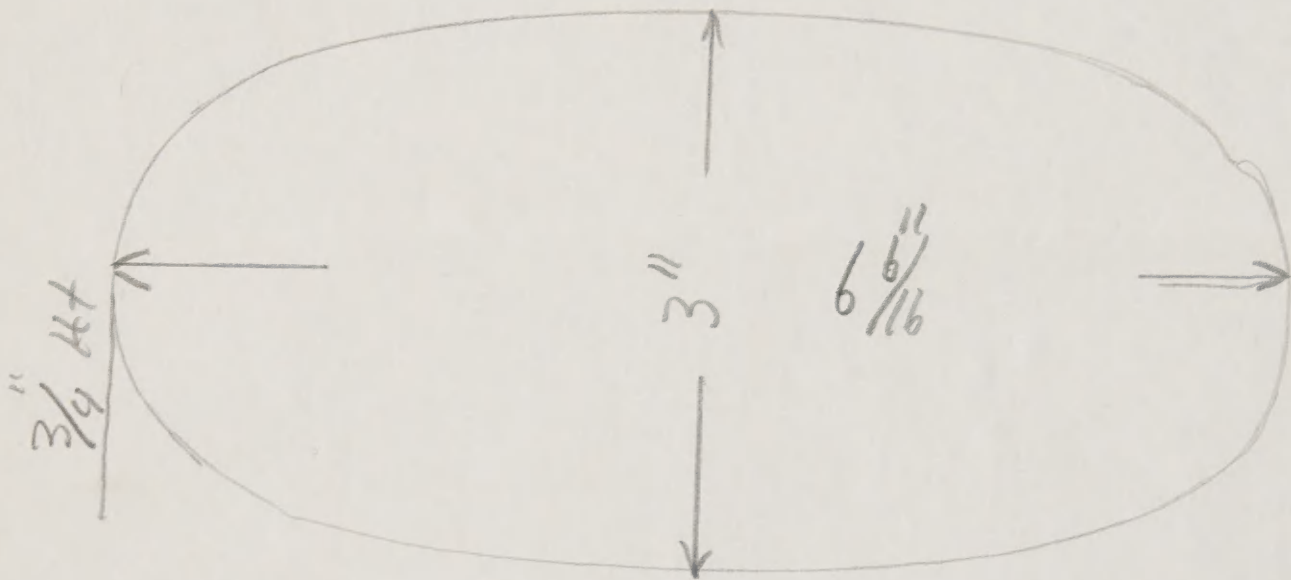
#7 Oval Blue w/ Gold Eagle and Lined Edge

plus Miners Improved Gold Seal (Top)

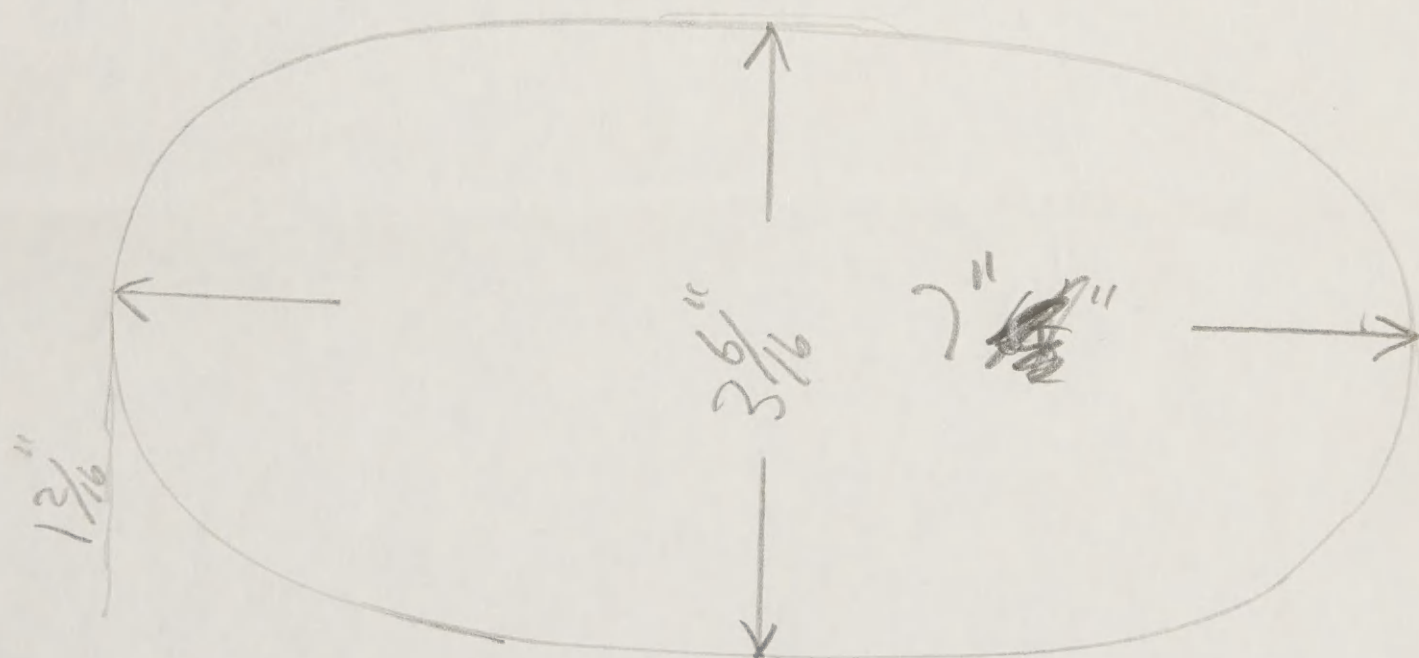
Manufactured Expressely For Calif (Bottom)

65% Paint, But very Legible No Dunting.

Green Inside, Wt Area w/ Lid All Brass Seal +
Chain to Pans. —



#8 Oval Green w/^{Gray} Goldish Eagle, Lined, plus:
Miners Improved Gold Scale. (top)
Manufactured Expressely For California (Faded)
75% Point, Minor Denting, Hinge Separated. (Bottom)
Bot Complete, Green Inside, Wt area w/lid.
Brass Scale w/String to Brass Pins.



#9

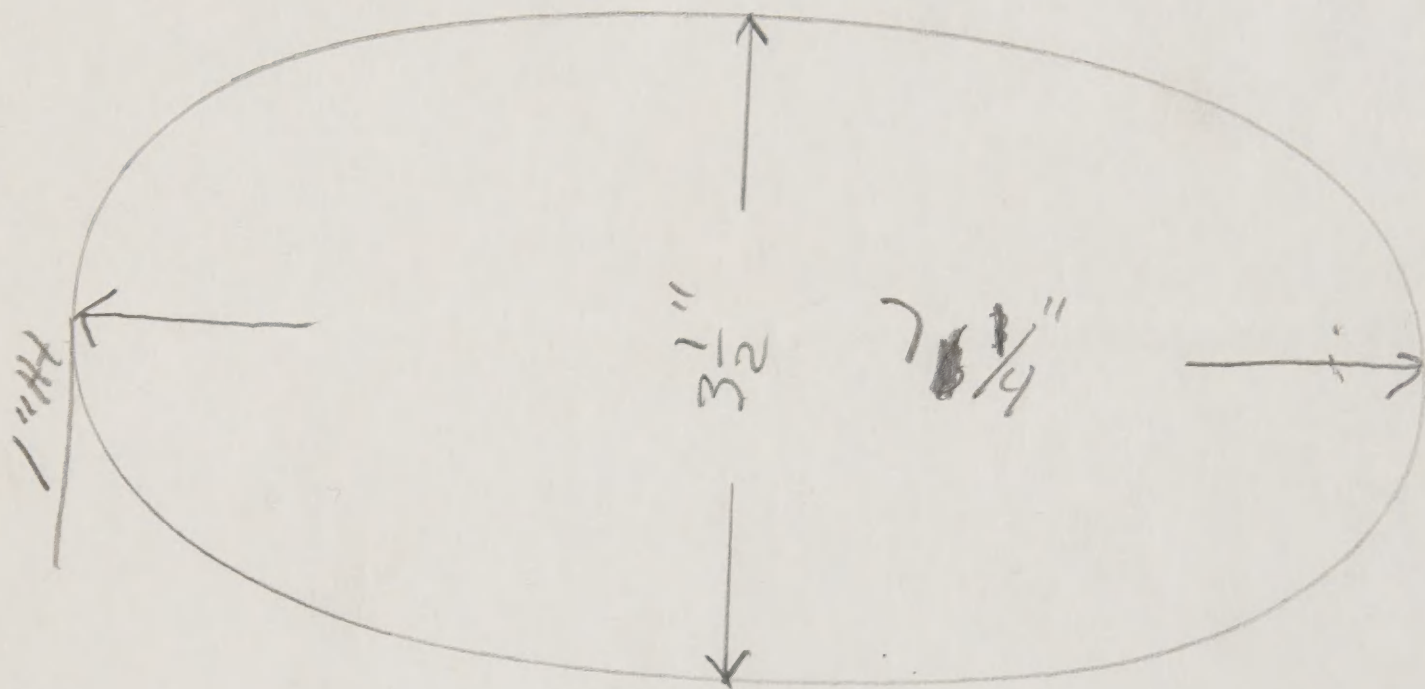
Oval Brown w/Goldish Green Eagle. Lined plus
Miners Improved Gold Scale (top)

Manufactured Expressly for California (Bottom)

85% Paint, But Faded. No Denting Wt There

No Lid Brass Scale w/Chain to Pin.

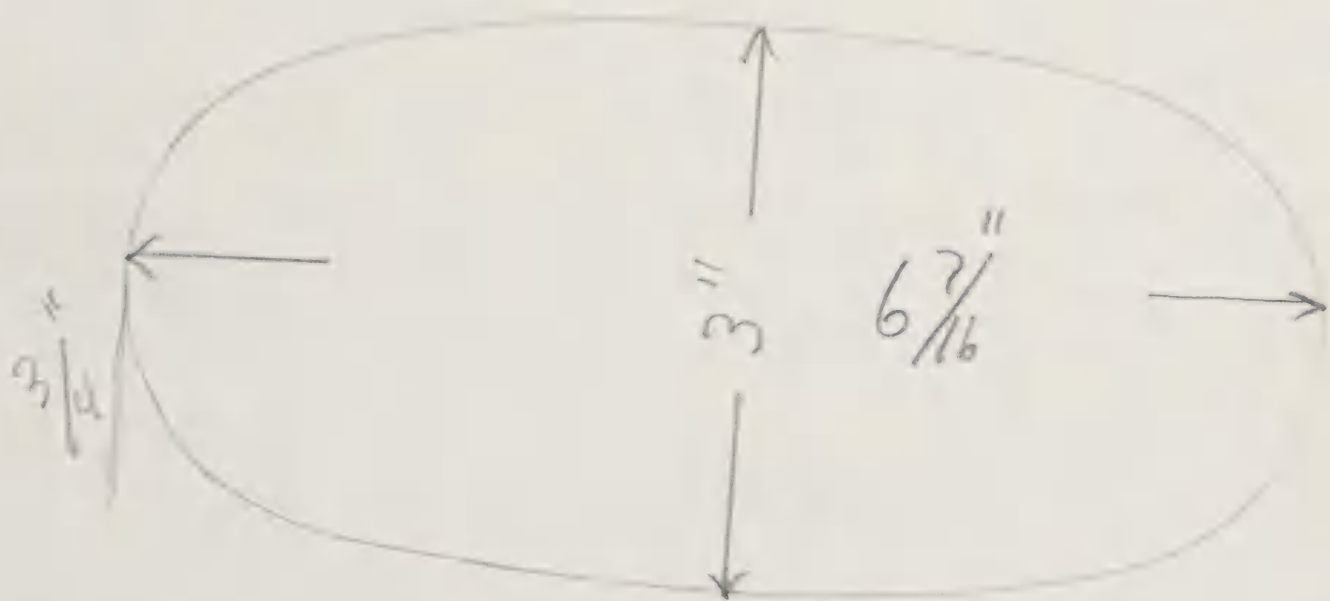
Brown Inside.



#10 ^{Brown.} Oval ~~Base~~ w/ Gold Eagle Lined plus:

Miners Improved Gold Scale (top)
Manufactured Expressly For Gold (Bottom)

90% Print, Good Cond. No Dents But Hinge
Separated and no wet tray. Brass Scale w/
Chain, Green inside.



#11

Oval Blue w/Gold Eagle Lined Pls.

Miners Improved Gold Scale. (top)

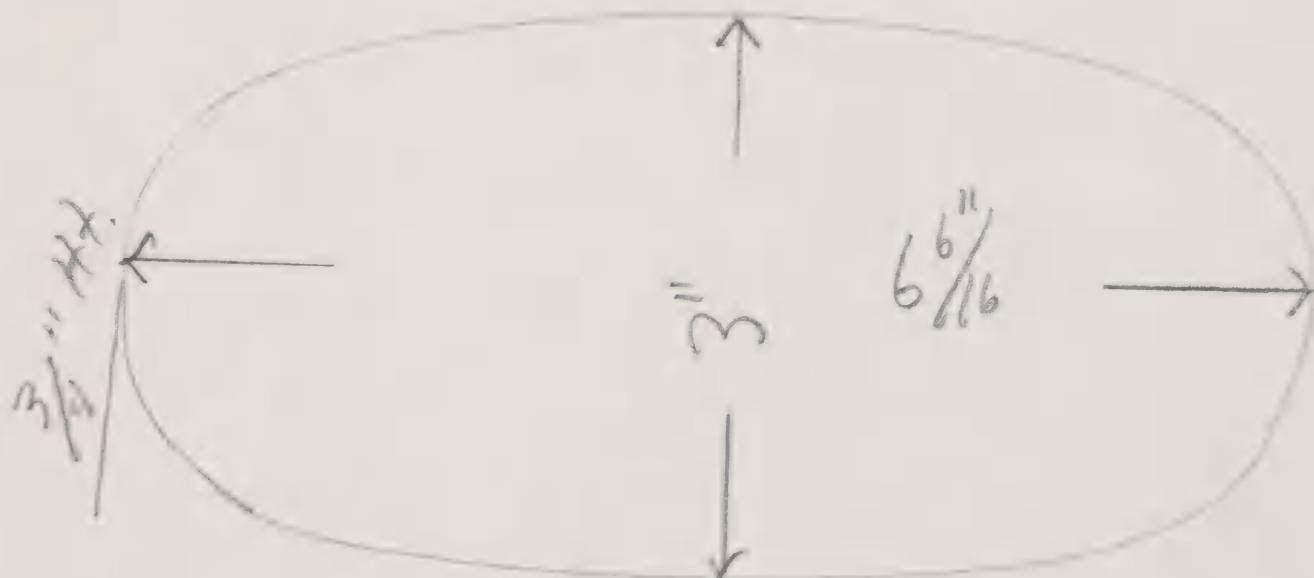
Manufactured Expressly for California (Bottom)

95% Very Good Cond. No Dents

Hinge Disconnected but complete.

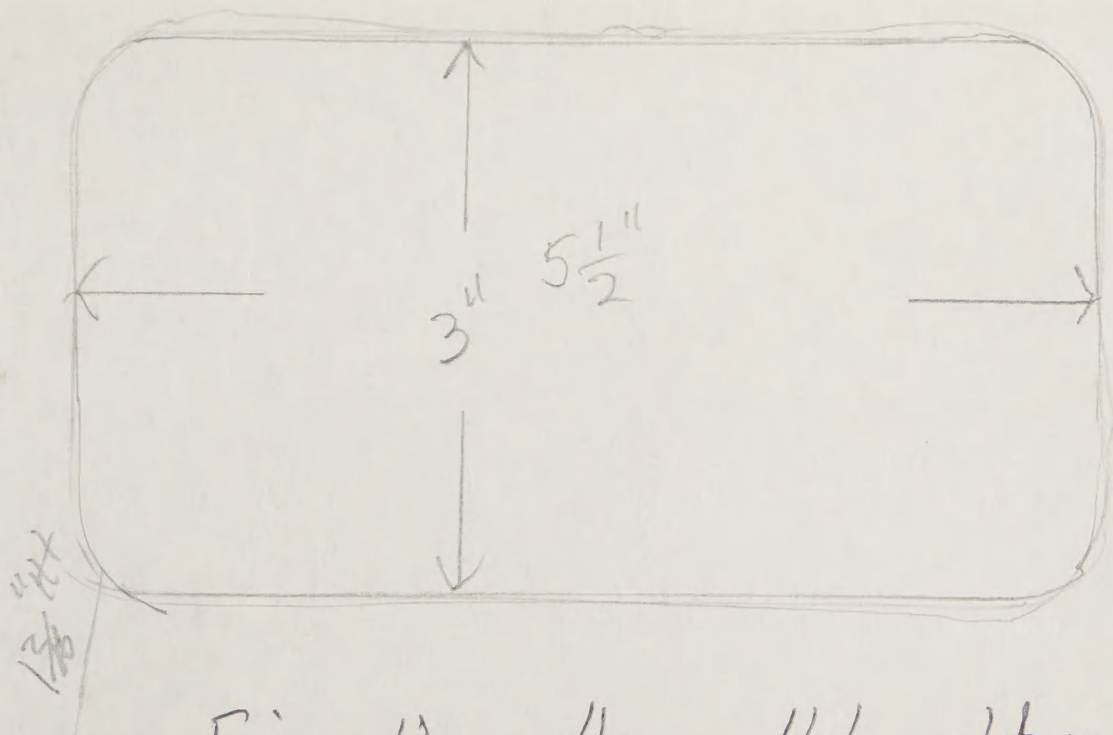
Orange Inside Brass Scale. String to Pins.

No Wt Area (Missing)



#12

Oval Green w/ Gold Edge Lined Plac
Miners Improved Gold Scale (Top)
Manufactured Expressly For California.
85% Paint Fair and Faded, Green Inside
Wt Area. Upper Left Area w/ Wood To Hold
Wts $\frac{1}{2}$ oz / 1oz / 2oz / Wts. All Brass Scale w/ Coin
Pans.



Eric, Hope this will be what you
wanted - Sincerely, Gregg

Gregg M. Miller

Collection of Miner's Scales

1. oval $5\frac{1}{16} \times 2\frac{10}{16}$
2. oval $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$
3. oval $5\frac{1}{16} \times 2\frac{1}{16}$
- ~~4. oval~~
4. oval $6\frac{1}{8} \times 3"$
5. oval $6" \times 3\frac{1}{16}"$
6. oval $6\frac{5}{16} \times 2\frac{7}{8}$
- ~~7. oval~~

Gold Eagle ^{Gold} wreath on perimeter, black
 Yellow Eagle wreath on perim red
 Gold Eagle Gold wreath on perimeter green
 Gray eagle, line on perimeter green
 Gold eagle line on perimeter dark green
 Black eagle 2 lines on perim dark green

MINERS IMPROVED GOLD SCALE
 MANUFACTURED EXPRESSLY FOR CALIFORNIA

Gold Eagle, line on perim Blue
 Gold Eagle line Green
 Green gold eagle line Brown
 Gold eagle line blue
 Gold Eagle line blue
 Gold Eagle line Green

7. oval $6\frac{3}{8} \times 3"$
8. oval $7" \times 3\frac{3}{8}$
9. oval $7\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$
10. oval $6\frac{7}{16} \times 3$
11. oval $6\frac{3}{8} \times 3"$
12. Rectang $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3$

$\frac{3}{4}"$ to $1"$ in height

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August 24, 1998

Dear Mr. Millar:

I sincerely appreciate your cooperation in outlining for me the detail concerning your 12 miner's scales. I am amazed how they all differ in size even though only slightly. They must have been made cheaply and treated very roughly in the field.

Do you know if they were made in Germany or England. I don't think they were American made. I see that the text on all those scale boxes having a text is identical.

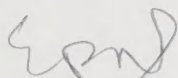
Your card indicates you have an exciting area of interests and are quite a nugget yourself.

Your last scale is described as an oval but the picture you drew is a rectangle with rounded corners. Which is correct?

If you care to sell any of them or can find others for our collection please let me know.

Thank you for being of wonderful help.

Sincerely,



Eric P. Newman

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12/6/98

Dear Mr Newman:

It's been sometime
since you had last contacted
me on the scale collection I have.
In regards to a question on
the last described Scale - It
should have been detailed as
rectangle - My mistake, to say
oval - guess I'd followed suite
to all the prior descriptions -
As well if I have any desire
to market etc my collection -
I'll keep you in mind -

Sincerely
Gregg Miller
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